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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADÉMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Richard L. Atkinson

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Commissioner For Patents P O Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated 10/03/2001 for three (3) months from 01/03/2002 to 04/03/2002.

[X] Applicant claims small entity status.

Extension

n:	Fee for Non-	Fee for	
<u>Months</u>	Small Entity	Small Entity	
one month	\$110.00	\$55.00	
two months	\$400.00	\$200.00	
X three months	\$920.00	\$460.00	
four months	\$1440.00	\$720.00	,
five months	\$1960.00	\$980.00	Fee \$ 460.00

Please charge the above-identified fee and any additional fee due in this application to Deposit Account No. 17-0055.

A response to the Office Action [X] is filed herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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